

RULE NO.: R161-13.02

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

POSTING DATE: January 3, 2012

The Director of the Electric Utility (Austin Energy) proposes to adopt the following rule after April 3, 2013.

Comments on the proposed rule are requested from the public. Comments should be submitted to Steve Booher, St. Elmo Service Center, 4411 B, Meinardus Dr. Austin, TX 78744, 512- 505-7556. To be considered, comments must be submitted before February 4, 2013, the 32nd day after the date this notice is posted. A summary of the written comments received will be included in the notice of rule adoption that must be posted for the rule to become effective.

An affordability impact statement regarding the proposed rule has been obtained and is available for inspection or copying at the address noted in the preceding paragraph.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROPOSED RULE

A rule proposed in this notice may not become effective before the effective date established by a separate notice of rule adoption. A notice of rule adoption may not be posted before February 4, 2013 (the 32nd day after the date of this notice) or not after April 3, 2013 (the 90th day after the date of this notice).

If a proposed rule is not adopted on or before April 3, 2013, it is automatically withdrawn and cannot be adopted without first posting a new notice of a proposed rule.

TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE

A copy of the complete text of the proposed rule is available for public inspection and copying at the following locations. Copies may be purchased at the locations at a cost of ten cents per page:

Austin Energy, Public Involvement & Real Estate located at 721 Barton Springs Road, Room 105, Austin, Texas 78704

Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RULE

R161-13.02: Proposed revisions to the Standards Criteria Manual

Austin Energy has made changes to many of the Sections in the Austin Energy Design Criteria Manual for the purpose of updating the 2010 Design Criteria Manual to agree with current codes and practices and to clarify to the customer what electric services are available and how to receive the particular service designs.

AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTION OF PROPOSED RULE

The authority and procedure for adoption of a rule to assist in the implementation, administration, or enforcement of a provision of the City Code is provided in Chapter 1-2-1 of the City Code. The authority to regulate construction requirements is established in Title 15, Utility Regulations, Chapter 15-9 of the City Code.

CERTIFICATION BY CITY ATTORNEY

By signing this Notice of Proposed Rule R161-13.02, the City Attorney certifies the City Attorney has reviewed the rule and finds that adoption of the rule is a valid exercise of the Director's administrative authority.

REVIEW AND APPROVED

Dan Smith – Acting VP
Electric Service Delivery
Austin Energy

Date: _____

Karen M. Kennard
City Attorney

Date: _____